

House Resolution 1033

By: Representative Smith of the 168th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Honorable Roy Moore and recognizing him as an honorary citizen of Georgia;
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the basis of all law is morality; and

4 WHEREAS, the Ten Commandments are the basis of the law of every government in the
5 history of Western civilization and specifically that of the United States of America; and

6 WHEREAS, President James Madison declared: "We have staked the whole future of
7 American civilization, not upon the power of government, far from it. We have staked the
8 future of all our political institutions upon the capacity of each and all of us to govern
9 ourselves, to sustain ourselves according to the 'Ten Commandments of God.'"; and

10 WHEREAS, President John Adams declared: "The highest glory of the American Revolution
11 is this: it connected in one indissoluble bond the principles of civil government with the
12 principles of Christianity."; and

13 WHEREAS, the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States guarantees to our
14 citizens the right to freedom of religious expression and expressly forbids the federal
15 government from prohibiting the same; and

16 WHEREAS, while the Constitution of the United States provides that "Congress shall make
17 no laws respecting the establishment of a religion," it absolutely does not prohibit the
18 recognition of Almighty God and his moral precepts expressed in the Ten Commandments
19 in our institutions of government, our legislatures, our courts, our schools, or other public
20 places; and

1 WHEREAS, Honorable Roy Moore has long been recognized by the citizens of this country
2 for the vital role that he has played in leadership and jurisprudence and his deep personal
3 commitment to the welfare of all Americans; and

4 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
5 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community as evidenced dramatically by his
6 many years of superlative public service as a deputy district attorney, circuit judge, and chief
7 justice of the Supreme Court of Alabama; and

8 WHEREAS, this extraordinary jurist served his country with honor and distinction as a
9 captain in the United States Army Military Police Corps, as a Battalion Staff Officer, and,
10 in Vietnam, as a Company Commander; and

11 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
12 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of his
13 community earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

14 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
15 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and is singularly unafraid that God is sovereign
16 over all; and

17 WHEREAS, in furtherance of this steadfast belief, he installed a granite monument of the
18 Ten Commandments in Alabama and was subsequently removed from office for failing to
19 abide by a court order to remove the monument.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body commend Honorable Roy Moore for a lifetime of efficient,
22 effective, unselfish, and dedicated public service and for his complete commitment to the
23 sovereignty of God.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in acknowledgment of his patriotism, his unwavering
25 support of the United States Constitution, the Constitution of the State of Alabama, and his
26 sincere belief that no provision of man can supersede that of God he be recognized as an
27 honorary citizen of Georgia.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Honorable Roy Moore.